



## Tournament Essentials

The inaugural URugby Sevens Philadelphia, an inter-conference collegiate sevens tournament, takes on April 11-12, 2015 at the Greater Chester Valley Soccer Association (GCVSA) Complex, located at 137 Line Road, Malvern, PA (just outside Philadelphia).

The Challenge Cup is an early-spring sevens tournament filling an important niche for college teams looking to expand opportunities for rugby sevens before the end of the school year. A, B and developmental teams are invited to compete in various brackets for hardware and glory.

The tournament is managed by URugby, a division of Sevens Sports LLC, a sports event management and marketing company specializing in creating great experiences around the sport of rugby.

### Tournament Staff

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### Registration

Your team must be registered and paid in full to participate in the tournament. Walk on teams will not be accommodated. Please register online at [www.urugby.com](http://www.urugby.com), or coordinate with someone from the tournament staff listed above for payment. Refunds will not be given for teams that cancel within one week of the tournament.

### Tournament Structure

Games will start promptly at 9AM on both Saturday and Sunday and end around 2pm. Brackets, kickoff times, field locations and the schedule are posted online two days before the tournament. Field maps, kickoff times and locations are posted at the main tent at the field. Arrive late to the pitch and you will forfeit your match.



## Facilities

### GPS: 137 Line Road, Malvern PA 19355

The GCVSA Complex is located at 137 Line Road, Malvern, PA near the intersection of Line Rd. and Paoli Pike. It is right behind Bryn Mawr Rehab Hospital and across the street from Applebrook Golf Club. Four, all natural, grass fields will be in use for the tournament. Pop up tents are permitted and recommended. *Please note: there is no clubhouse/or locker rooms at this facility.* There will be portable restrooms onsite.

## Food

There will be concessions on site serving food throughout the day on Sat and Sun. All concession sales benefit the Greater Chester Valley Soccer Association. One case of water per team will be provided for each day. There is also a WAWA convenience store located less than one mile away at the intersection of Paoli Pike and RT 352.

## Pets

THERE ARE NO DOGS ALLOWED AT THE GCVSA COMPLEX.

## Alcohol

THERE IS NO ALCOHOL PERMITTED AT THE GCVSA COMPLEX.

## Parking

**PLEASE NOTE: There will be a \$5 per car cost for parking at the GCVSA complex.** Bring cash! Willistown Township will not hesitate to ticket cars parked along Line Rd. outside the GCVSA complex. Tow-away zone signs have been placed along both sides of the road. Applebrook Meadows is a private property for residents and guests only.

## URugby Swag

TShirts, tournament balls, and pint glasses will be available for purchase at the event. Credit cards will be accepted.

## Weather

Policy of venue in lightning/thunder: In the event of lightning strikes being seen or reported in the area, play will be suspended and all those present at the venue must get into a car until further notice. There is a siren across the street at the golf course that will help in alerting everyone of severe weather.



## Medical

There will be licensed medical trainers onsite for injuries. Teams are responsible for providing their own trainers for taping.

There will NOT be an ambulance on-site throughout event. **In the event of an emergency, please call 911.** Paoli Hospital is the closest hospital (4.4 mi) There are also Urgent Care facilities in Paoli and Exton, PA.

## Timing Rules

The games are scheduled 20 or 25 minutes apart and we will be ON TIME all day. Timeliness will be strictly observed. Our tournament rules are structured to maximize the percentage of the match time that the ball is in play. All games, on all fields, will begin at exactly the appointed time. Game timing will not be left to the referee to enforce, though the first referee whistle after the final siren ends the half or game, NOT the siren.

- If one team is not present, the other team kicks off and can score
- If there is an injury away from play, teams continue to play safely
- The referee may stop play momentarily to allow a player to be carried off, but the clock runs
- If a player is too injured to continue, she/he gets off and is replaced; otherwise she/he gets up quickly and resumes play (i.e. no fitness related "injury" times are tolerated)
- If there is a score, the conversion will be taken by a drop-kick from behind the goal posts wherever practical
- If there is a tie in a pool game, it stands
- If there is a tie on Sunday then
  - A five minute sudden death period will be played
  - If still tied, teams will take a one minute break, switch ends and an additional five minute period will be played
  - Teams will switch ends and continue play until the first score

## The Siren

Two siren sounds will signify that the tournament will begin in five minutes. At the sound of one siren, loud enough to be heard by everyone at all fields, all games will commence. Seven minutes later, half time begins at the whistle following the siren. Two minutes later, the second halves commence. And seven minutes later, all games end at the referee's whistle following the siren.



## Social Media

Tag your tweets, Facebook and Instagram **#urugby7s** and follow us on social media all weekend.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/URugby>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/URugbyFootball>

Instagram: <https://instagram.com/urugbyfootball>

## Video

Next Level Sports will be filming the tournament on both Saturday and Sunday. If teams would like to have a game taped or highlight reel produced, please contact Ryan Ginty, [ryanrikginty@gmail.com](mailto:ryanrikginty@gmail.com), 860-895-7932 for pricing.